

**State of Wisconsin
Emergency Medical Services Board
EMS Education and Training Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2015**

Pending approval by committee at April 2016 meeting.

Members in attendance: List with EMS Office.

Others attending: List with EMS Office.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Mindy Allen at 10:20 am.

Introductions: Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve October meeting minutes was made by Dustin Ridings, and seconded by Sean Duffey. Approved

Action Items:

#	ITEM	DISCUSSION	DISPOSITION
1	Elimination of 6-Hour Mini-Refresher and Testing	<p>EMS Board received correspondence from the EMS Training Center Advisory Council in support of removing the 6-hr mini-refresher course and testing. The cost of holding these refresher courses and the cost for services to send providers is very expensive and there is questionable benefit for providers.</p> <p>Discussion about the original intent and history of the 6-hr mini-refresher and required testing component.</p> <p>Suggestion for removal of the mini but require x number of hours for in-person training so a provider cannot complete all of their continuing education online.</p> <p>Suggestion that the state match the continuing education requirements required for the National Registry.</p> <p>NREMT hot topics document was sent out to committee for review after the October meeting.</p> <p>Request to look into restructuring the refresher components for all levels.</p>	<p>Request for System Management and Development sub-committee to look into continuing education standards in other states.</p> <p>Add the continuing education discussion to Board's Strategic Planning Meeting agenda in February 2016.</p> <p>Motion made by Dustin Ridings to recommend to the board to remove the required 6-hour mini-refresher courses and testing starting July 1, 2016. Approved.</p>
2	First Responder Flexible	Discussion regarding the EMS Training Center Advisory Council	Motion made by Dustin Ridings to

	Content Refresher	correspondence regarding their position on First Responder Flexible Content for Refreshers.	recommend to the board to allow first responders to use flexible content refreshers to meet continuing education requirements starting July 1, 2016. Seconded by Sean Duffey. Approved.
3	DHS Refresher Requirement Proposal (See items 1 & 2 above)	<p>Training Center Advisory Board agreed with the EMS Office proposal of eliminating the 6-hr mini refresher courses and allowing flexible content for first responders.</p> <p>Discussed allowing unaffiliated EMS practitioners to renew via flexible content under the guidelines presented at the October Board meeting. Those guidelines prohibited unaffiliated individuals from renewing via flexible content; they would have needed to take the traditional classroom refresher.</p>	Continue discussion at Wednesday's board meeting during committee report.
4	Updated clinical/field competency requirements	Did not discuss.	Will discuss at board meeting Wednesday during committee report.

Correspondence:

Agenda for Next Meeting:

Next meeting date: April 5, 2016

Adjournment: Moved to adjourn by Shawn Duffy and 2nd by Dustin Ridings, carried. Adjourned at 11:14 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Thatcher